NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION CHARTER OF THE AEROSPACE MEDICINE AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE NASA ADVISORY COUNCIL

ESTABLISHMENT AND AUTHORITY

The NASA Administrator established the NASA Aerospace Medicine and Occupational Health Advisory Committee. Having determined that it is in the public interest in connection with the performance of Agency duties under the law, and with the concurrence of the General Services Administration, the NASA Administrator hereby renews and amends the Committee's charter, pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. §§ 1 et seq.

PURPOSE AND DUTIES

- The Committee will draw on the expertise of its members and other sources to
 provide advice and make recommendations to the Chief Health and Medical
 Officer on plans, policies, programs, and other matters pertinent to the Agency's
 responsibilities for aerospace medicine and occupational health, including
 direction and requirements of clinical research in support of human space flight,
 standards for health and medical practice, and medical and ethical standards for
 human and animal research and clinical practice.
- 2. The Committee shall function solely as an advisory body and will comply fully with the provisions of the FACA.
- 3. The Committee reports to the Chief Health and Medical Officer and to Administrator through the NASA Advisory Council.

MEMBERSHIP

- 1. The Committee chair will be appointed by the Administrator and will also serve as a member of the NASA Advisory Council. The Committee will be comprised of members appointed by the Chief Health and Medical Officer. Membership will be selected to assure a balanced representation of expertise and points of view in scientific, technical, and programmatic fields relevant to aerospace medicine and occupational health.
- 2. Members will be appointed for a 2-year term, renewable at the discretion of the Chief Health and Medical Officer. However, members serve at the discretion of the Chief Health and Medical Officer.

SUBCOMMITTEES AND TASK GROUPS

- 1. Subcommittees may be established in areas requiring a standing advisory group under the Committee. Subcommittee members are approved by and serve at the discretion of the Chief Health and Medical Officer. However, if the Committee is terminated, all subcommittees are terminated. Subcommittee terms of reference will be approved by the Chief Health and Medical Officer. Committee members will serve as chairs of subcommittees. Subcommittees will report their findings and recommendations to the Committee.
- 2. Task forces may be established to conduct special studies requiring an effort of limited duration. Task force membership and terms of reference will be approved by the Chief Health and Medical Officer. Task forces will report their findings and recommendations to the Committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

- 1. The Committee will usually meet twice per year. Meetings will be open to the public unless it is determined that the meeting, or a portion of the meeting, will be closed in accordance with the Government in the Sunshine Act, or that the meeting is not covered by FACA.
- 2. The Executive Secretary of the Committee will be appointed by the Chief Health and Medical Officer and will serve as the Designated Federal Official.
- 3. The Office of Chief Health and Medical Officer and the Office of Biological and Physical Research will share in providing staff for the Committee and will be responsible for the reporting requirements of section 6(b) of the FACA.
- 4. The Office of Chief Health and Medical Officer will provide operating funds for the Committee. The estimated annual costs are estimated to be approximately \$125,000 per year, including 0.5 workyears of staff support.

DURATION

The Committee shall terminate 2 years from the date of this charter unless terminated before that date or subsequently renewed by the NASA Administrator.

Administrator

May 1, 2003

Date